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Political Indoctrination

1. [redacted] 1st Unit [redacted] People's Army [redacted]
The unit gave the soldiers political education for two (2) hours (0800-1000 hours) twice a week on Tuesdays and Fridays. The political education was given [redacted] platoon leader (officer with one small star; [redacted] who made political lectures on Tuesdays and went over them on Fridays. 1 25X1 25X1
2. The political lectures given during the period [redacted] were on the history of Korea beginning with the Japanese aggression aimed to enslave the Korean people. The points were: (1) The Soviet Union and KIM Il-sŏng liberated the Korean people from the Japanese rule. (2) After Korea was divided into two sections, KIM Il-sŏng built up North Korea, strong enough to bear comparison with any country, with the aid of the Soviet Union, China and other friendly nations. The North Korean people are guaranteed equal rights and they are living a happy life. (3) Meanwhile, South Korea has become an American colony and is in an enslaved status worse than the undivided Korea was under the Japanese rule. (4) The American imperialists invaded North Korea with the Korean youths as their spearheads and they are still seeking another opportunity for an aggression. 25X1
3. As a feature of the People's Army, it was pointed out that the People's Army was formed of the sons of farmers and laborers. [redacted] the political education was given the reports made at the 4th plenary session of the Labor Party. [redacted] the lectures placed emphasis on the careful handling of weapons, saying, "All the weapons of the People's Army have been supplied by the people. Therefore, they must be carefully handled and well protected. At the same time, as the American imperialists are constantly seeking an opportunity for another aggression in attack against North Korea, men and officers of all ranks must be in perfect union and prepared to fight at any moment." 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1
4. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] the large portions of the Korean readers were propaganda on the Communist Party. 25X1

Non-Communist Publications

5. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] But as the leaflets dropped during the war had been exposed so long to the open air, they were hardly readable. [redacted] 25X1 25X1
6. [redacted] 25X1
7. [redacted]
8. [redacted]

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9. It was reported that public speakers would be installed in all major cities including the capital town of each county (Kun), [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] As each company under 25X1
the military organization [redacted] had a radio, 25X1
[redacted] able to listen to Radio P'yongyang. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] 25X1

10. [redacted] private ownership of radios is prohibited in 25X1
North Korea. Even if private ownership were authorized [redacted] 25X1
it would be impossible for the public to have radios due to their shortage.

11. [redacted] 25X1

Communist Activities

12. The members of the Party [redacted] were working more positively 25X1
than others in all jobs. [redacted] 25X1

13. [redacted] 25X1

14. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] in the Army at least, all the Party members were ready 25X1
to cooperate with one another. [redacted] no [redacted] trouble among them 25X1
due to a lack of cooperation. Likewise [redacted] no [redacted] friction 25X1
among Party members and Government agencies.

15. The greatest difficulties which the Communists had faced during the past 25X1
three years, seemed to be lack of clothes and food shortage.

16. [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] no [redacted] signs indicating that the Communists were dis- 25X1
contented with their duties in the Army. But many of them wished to
go to the front instead of remaining in the rear because they were
subject to intensive training and hard labor in the rear while they
were subject to less training and labor at the front.

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